

March 16, 2006

## EX PARTE

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Petition of Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. §160 from Title II and *Computer Inquiry* Rules with Respect To Their Broadband Services, WC Docket No. 04-440

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, COMPTEL hereby gives notice that on March 16, 2006, its representatives met with separately with 1) Chairman Kevin J. Martin, FCC Chief of Staff Daniel Gonzalez, Ian Dillner, Legal Advisor to Chairman Martin, and Thomas Navin, Wireline Competition Bureau Chief; 2) Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein and Scott Bergmann, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Adelstein; and 3) Commissioner Michael Copps, and Jessica Rosenworcel, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps. In each of these meetings, COMPTEL urged the Commission to deny the above-captioned forbearance petition. COMPTEL explained, consistent with all of its previous filings in this docket, that Verizon has failed to produce any evidence, or policy consideration, that would justify the Commission granting the sweeping elimination of regulatory oversight that Verizon requests. Representing COMPTEL were Earl Comstock and the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

/<u>s/ Jonathan Lee</u> Senior Vice President Regulatory Affairs